

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 987 - SB 944**

February 17, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Board of Judicial Conduct (Board) to notify the complainant of the results of a hearing by mailing a copy of the hearing panel's findings and judgement, a copy of the Board's formal finding of fact and opinion, and any sanction imposed. Authorizes the complainant, in addition to an aggrieved judge, to appeal to the Supreme Court within 14 days from the date of entry of a judgement of the Board.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- The Board can mail additional copies of the results of a hearing in the normal course of business utilizing existing resources.
- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, it is assumed that the right of the complainant to appeal applies only to judgements of a hearing panel of the Board following the conclusion of the hearing. It is further assumed that appealable decisions do not include dispositions made by an investigative panel of the Board. As such, any fiscal impact resulting from the expanded rights of appeal is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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